

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended): A method in a data processing system for ordering elements included within a list, the method comprising:

presenting the elements in a list format in a first order in a graphical user interface;

receiving a first user input selecting a set of the elements from the list;

responsive to detecting the first user input, monitoring for a second user input, indicating a movement of the set of elements within the list; and

responsive to detecting the second user input, automatically reordering the elements in the list including:

when the set of elements [[are]] comprises a plurality of contiguous elements, automatically reordering the elements in the list by moving, within the list, the set of elements together as one unit as if said set were a single list element to create a modified list of elements in a second order, said set of elements appearing to a user as having been moved simultaneously; and

when the set of elements [[are]] comprises a plurality of non-contiguous elements, automatically reordering the elements in the list by moving, within the list, the set of elements as one unit, said set of elements appearing to a user as having been moved simultaneously, wherein each element in the set of elements has a relative order and spacing to another element in the set of elements, and wherein the relative order and spacing are [[is]] preserved.

2. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, wherein the second user input causes the set of elements to be moved in a first direction within the list by a selected number of locations.

3. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, wherein the second user input causes the set of elements to be moved in a second direction within the list by a selected number of locations.

4. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, wherein the second user input causes the set of elements to be moved to a first end of the list.
5. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, wherein the second user input causes the set of elements to be moved to a second end of the list.
6. (Original): The method of claim 1, wherein the second user input is received by a selection of a control associated with the set of elements.
7. (Original): The method of claim 6, wherein the control is a navigation button.
8. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, wherein the second user input includes an identification of a direction in which the set of elements are to be moved and wherein the automatically reordering step comprises:
 - determining whether the set of elements can be moved in the direction identified by the second user input; and
 - responsive to a determination that the set of elements can be moved in the direction, moving the set of elements in the direction.
- 9-11. (Canceled)
12. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1 further comprising:
 - displaying the list in a window.
13. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, wherein the user input is received from a user selection of a control displayed with the list.
- 14-16. (Canceled)

17. (Currently Amended): A data processing system comprising:

a bus system;

a communications unit connected to the bus system;

a memory connected to the bus system, wherein the memory includes a set of instructions; and

a processing unit connected to the bus system, wherein the processing unit executes the set of instructions to present elements included within a list in a list format in a first order in a graphical user interface; receive a first user input selecting a set of elements from the list; monitor for a second user input, indicating a movement of the set of elements in the list in response to detecting the first user input; and automatically reordering the elements in the list including: when the set of elements [[are]] comprises a plurality of contiguous elements, automatically reorder the elements in the list by moving, within the list, the set of elements together as one unit as if said set were a single list element to create a modified list of elements in a second order, said set of elements appearing to a user as having been moved simultaneously; and when the set of elements [[are]] comprises a plurality of non-contiguous elements, automatically reorder the elements in the list by moving, within the list, the set of elements as one unit, said set of elements appearing to a user as having been moved simultaneously, wherein each element in the set of elements has a relative order and spacing to another element in the set of elements, and wherein the relative order and spacing are [[is]] preserved.

18. (Canceled)

19. (Currently Amended): A data processing system for ordering elements included within a list, the data processing system comprising:

presenting means for presenting the elements in a list format in a first order in a graphical user interface;

receiving means for receiving a first user input selecting a set of the elements from the list;

monitoring means, responsive to detecting the first user input, for monitoring for a second user input, indicating a movement of the set of elements within the list; and

reordering means, responsive to detecting the second user input, for automatically reordering the elements in the list including:

when the set of elements [[are]] comprises a plurality of contiguous elements, reordering means for automatically reordering the elements in the list by moving, within the list, the set of elements together as one unit as if said set were a single list element to create a modified list of elements in a second order; and

when the set of elements [[are]] comprises a plurality of non-contiguous elements, reordering automatically reordering the elements in the list by moving, within the list, the set of elements as one unit, said set of elements appearing to a user as having been moved simultaneously by moving, within the list, the set of elements together as one unit as if said set were a single list element to create a modified list of elements in a second order, said set of elements appearing to a user as having been moved simultaneously, wherein each element in the set of elements has a relative order and spacing to another element in the set of elements, and wherein the relative order and spacing are [[is]] preserved.

20. (Previously Presented): The data processing system of claim 19, wherein the second user input causes the set of elements to be moved in a first direction within the list by a selected number of locations.

21. (Previously Presented): The data processing system of claim 19, wherein the second user input causes the set of elements to be moved in a second direction within the list by a selected number of locations.

22. (Previously Presented): The data processing system of claim 19, wherein the second user input causes the set of elements to be moved a first end of the list.

23. (Previously Presented): The data processing system of claim 19, wherein the second user input causes the set of elements to be moved to a second end of the list.

24. (Original): The data processing system of claim 19, wherein the second user input is received by a selection of a control associated with the set of elements.

25. (Original): The data processing system of claim 24, wherein the control is a navigation button.

26. (Previously Presented): The data processing system of claim 19, wherein the second user input includes an identification of a direction in which the set of elements are to be moved and wherein the automatically reordering means comprises:

first means for determining whether the set of elements can be moved in the direction identified by the second user input; and

second means, responsive to a determination that the set of elements can be moved in the direction, for moving the set of elements in the direction.

27-29. (Canceled)

30. (Previously Presented): The data processing system of claim 19 further comprising:

displaying means for displaying the list in a window.

31. (Previously Presented): The data processing system of claim 19, wherein the user input is received from a user selection of a control displayed with the list.

32-34. (Canceled)

35. (Currently Amended): A computer program product in a computer readable medium for ordering elements included within a list, the computer program product comprising:

first instructions for presenting the elements in a list format in a first order in a graphical user interface;

second instructions for receiving a first user input selecting the set of elements from the list;

third instructions, responsive to detecting the first user input, for monitoring for a second user input indicating a movement of the set of elements; and

fourth instructions, responsive to detecting the second user input, for automatically reordering the elements in the list including:

when the set of elements [[are]] comprises a plurality of contiguous elements, instructions for automatically reordering the elements in the list by moving, within the list, the set of elements together as one unit as if said set were a single list element to create a modified list of elements in a second order, said set of elements appearing to a user as having been moved simultaneously; and

when the set of elements [[are]] comprises a plurality of non-contiguous elements, instructions for automatically reordering the elements in the list by moving, within the list, the set of elements as one unit, said set of elements appearing to a user as having been moved simultaneously, wherein each element in the set of elements has a relative order and spacing to another element in the set of elements, and wherein the relative order and spacing are [[is]] preserved.

36. (Previously Presented): The computer program product of claim 35, wherein the second user input causes the set of elements to be moved in a first direction within the list by a selected number of locations.

37. (Previously Presented): The computer program product of claim 35, wherein the second user input causes the set of elements to be moved in a second direction within the list by a selected number of locations.

38. (Previously Presented): The computer program product of claim 35, wherein the second user input causes the set of elements to be moved to a first end of the list.

39. (Previously Presented): The computer program product of claim 35, wherein the second user input causes the set of elements to be moved to a second end of the list.

40. (Original): The computer program product of claim 35, wherein the second user input is received by a selection of a control associated with the set of elements.

41. (Original): The computer program product of claim 40, wherein the control is a navigation button.

42. (Previously Presented): The computer program product of claim 35, wherein the second user input includes an identification of a direction in which the set of elements are to be moved and wherein the fourth instructions comprises:

first sub-instructions for determining whether the set of elements can be moved in the direction identified by the second user input; and

second sub-instructions, responsive to a determination that the set of elements can be moved in the direction, for moving each element in the set of elements in the direction.

43-45. (Canceled)

46. (Previously Presented): The computer program product of claim 35 further comprising:

third instructions for displaying the list in a window.

47. (Previously Presented): The computer program product of claim 35, wherein the user input is received from a user selection of a control displayed with the list.

48-50. (Canceled)